



GEORGIA MEDICAID FEE-FOR-SERVICE OPIOID DEPENDENCY AGENTS PA SUMMARY

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Buprenorphine generic	Bunavail (buprenorphine/naloxone)
Suboxone (buprenorphine/naloxone)	Buprenorphine/naloxone generic
	Zubsolv (buprenorphine/naloxone)

LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATION: 6 months

NOTE: All products require prior authorization. These medications will hit a clinical PA edit as well as a PA edit for concurrent therapy with opioid analgesics that have been dispensed within the last 7 days.

PA CRITERIA:

- ❖ Approvable for the diagnosis of opioid dependence in members age 16 or older when prescribed by a DATA (Drug Addiction Treatment Act 2000) waived physician
- ❖ Buprenorphine is only approvable for induction therapy, pregnant members, or when a physician submits documentation of an allergy to naloxone.
- ❖ Concurrent therapy of medications in this class with opioids requires the prescriber to submit a written letter of medical necessity stating the reason(s) the member requires concurrent therapy with opioids.
- ❖ In addition to meeting the criteria above, for Bunavail, generic buprenorphine/naloxone and Zubsolv, prescriber must submit a written letter of medical necessity stating the reason(s) that the preferred product, brand Suboxone, is not appropriate for the member.

EXCEPTIONS:

- ❖ Exceptions to these conditions of coverage are considered through the prior authorization process.
- ❖ The Prior Authorization process may be initiated by calling **OptumRx at 1-866-525-5827**.

PREFERRED DRUG LIST:

- ❖ For online access to the Preferred Drug List (PDL), please go to <http://dch.georgia.gov/preferred-drug-lists>.

PA and APPEAL PROCESS:

- ❖ For online access to the PA process, please go to www.dch.georgia.gov/prior-authorization-process-and-criteria and click on Prior Authorization (PA) Request Process Guide.



QUANTITY LEVEL LIMITATIONS:

- ❖ For online access to the current Quantity Level Limits (QLL), please go to www.mmis.georgia.gov/portal, highlight Provider Information and click on Provider Manuals. Scroll to the page with Pharmacy Services and select that manual.